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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

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1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

WARNING:

35 U.S.C. 132(b) and Section 1.114 provide for the continued examination of an application and **not** examination of a continuing application). Accordingly, the Office will not permit an applicant to obtain continued examination on the basis of claims that are independent and distinct from the claims previously claimed and examined. Notice of March 10, 2000, 65 Fed Reg 14865, at 14868.

WARNING:

A continued examination request **cannot** be made if at least one office action under 35 U.S.C. 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. 161 has not been mailed. The provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.114 also do not

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apply (1) to a provisional application, an application for a utility or plant patent filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a), (2) an international application filed under 35 U.S.C. 363 before June 8, 1995. (3) a patent under reexamination; or (4) an application for a design patent. 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114(d).

NOTE: There is no limit to the number of times the fee for continued examination may be submitted. Notice of March 10, 2000, 65 Fed Reg 14865, at 14868.

NOTE: Unlike a continuation application, a continued examination request can utilize the mailing procedure of 37 C.F.R. 1.8. See 37 C.F.R. Section 1.8(a)(2)(i)(A).

			TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE	
is reque	st is beir	ng submit	ted (check appropriate item(s) below):	
i.	[X]	Prior to	abandonment of the application	
ii.	[]	Paymen [ ] [ ]	Prior to payment of issue fee Issue fee has been paid but a petition under Section 1.313 has been granted	
iii.	[]	Prior to	a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.	
NOTE: If such a notice is not sent to the Board, they may refuse to vacate a decision rendered after the filing of the k before recognition by the Office of the RCE request under Section 1.114				
iv.	[]	Appeal	to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145 or [ ]Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146 Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated	
			ENCLOSURES	
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[X]	An inf [X]		disclosure (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98) — Supplemental TO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)	
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# FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of:

[ ] Small entity (and status is still as small entity) \$ 370.00

[X] Other than a small entity \$740.00

Continued Prosecution Request Fee \$740.00

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

NOTE: "The fee for continued examination under Section 1.114 (Section 1.17(e)) does not include additional claims fee (cf. 1.53 (d)(3)(ii))." See Notice of March 10, 2000, 65 Fed Reg 14865, at 14868.

37 C.F.R. 1.53(d)(3): "The filing fee for a continued prosecution application filed under this paragraph is"

(i) The basic filing fee as set forth in Section 1.16; and

(ii) Any additional Section 1.16 fee due based on the number of claims remaining in the application after entry of any amendment accompanying the request for an application under this paragraph and entry of any amendments under Section 1.116 unentered in the prior application which applicant has requested to be entered in the continued prosecution application."

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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			EXTENSION OF	TIME	
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	[]	therefor of \$ _			secured, and the fee paid il fee due for the total months
			Extension fee due	with this request	\$
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(b)	[X]	Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a
		conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the
		possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and
		fee for extension of time.

# TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

<b>W</b> /4	IRNING:	The fee for continued examination under Section 1.	114 may not be deferred.	37 C.F.R. Section 1 53(f).				
7.	The total i	ee(s) due is/are:	ee(s) due is/are:					
	Conti	nued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))		\$ 740.00				
	Fee(s)	for additional claims (if any) (Section 1.16(	b)-(d))	\$				
	Exten	sion of time fee (if any) (Section 1.17(a)(1)-	(4))	\$				
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8.	Please pay	the fee(s) for this continued examination ap	plication as follows:	:				
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## **INVENTORSHIP**

NOTE: Any change of inventors must be via the procedure set forth in 37 C.F.R. Section 1.48. See Notice of March 10, 2000, 65 Fed Reg 14865, at 14868.

9. This application as amended names as inventors:

[X]	the same inventors as previously de	esignated for the claims.
[]		designated and a statement accompanies this request es of the person or persons who are not inventors of
[]	a person not named previously as a is/has separately: [ ] being filed [ ] been filed	n inventor and a petition under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.48
		SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER
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